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French Patent No. 1.400.231 involves a rack for carrying skis on the roof of a vehicle.

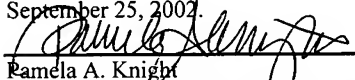
French Patent No. 2 519 305 involves another rack for carrying objects on a vehicle.

French Patent No. 2 624 808 involves a vehicle roof rack adapted for transporting windsurfers. A rectangular plaque with a layer of flexible elastic material encloses the shell between two layers of material.

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